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Office Action Summary

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Neil Abrams

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on papers filed 11-14-2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

The request for considered examination (RCE) is acknowledged. The last amendment has been entered.

Title is objected to as overlong.

1. Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Isaac.
2. See discussion in last office action. For Isaac, note contact device 43 and connection pins 51 (figure 6) that include bent back end sections at 49 that appear to engage electrical contacts at ends of leads 47 on the device 43. The device 43 electrical contact pads are not clearly disclosed. Should the matter be at issue, obvious that electrical contact pads would be present on pcb 43 as is standard in the art. These would be the shapes shown, figure 1 at end of lines 47 and near edge of sheet 44. Dependent claims do not appear at issue and should stand or fall with claims 1, 9, 15.
3. Claims 3 and 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Isaac in view of Pfaff.
4. Should issues arise as to these claims, the references are applied as in last office action.
5. Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pfaff in view of Hashiguchi.

Pfaff burn in adapter, figure 3 includes connection pins 11 with end sections 14 that engage electrical contacts 41 of device 40. The ends 14 are not bent back

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upwardly. Hashiguchi figures 7, 8, etc. uses contacts with such ends at 12a. Obvious to use same on Pfaff contacts to enable them to engage pads 41 without damage.


Dependent claims do not appear at issue in this case. In addition, for claims 12, 13, Pfaff does not use screws or clamps. Hashiguchi at 6 user screws (clamps). Obvious to use same in Pfaff for easy attachment to the pcb 9.

6. Applicant's arguments filed with the last amendment have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

7. Arguments are not understood. Isaac pcb 43 is applied as "contact device".

Block 54 is not being relied upon to meet claim language.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Neil Abrams at telephone number 571-272-2089.


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